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On 3 February 1953, a military train [redacted] loaded with antitank guns and two tanks traveled from Rudolfstadt [Rudolstadt Thuringen] to Neu Bukow/Mark [in Mecklenburg]. Several military trains have been run lately from Erfurt and Weimar [in Thuringen] in the direction of Bezirk [administrative unit replacing Laender] Halle.

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For the past 14 days [sometime in January or February], Soviet troops have been moving on trucks and trains from Thuringen to Mecklenburg. They are exclusively motorized troops, which must have been assigned a special job.

State Security Service agents in the uniform of the transportation police are controlling and searching railroad passengers on trains.

The Socialist Unity Party has tripled its cadre within the Reichsbahn for closer control of the population.

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